

WAGES AND TARIFF.

How British Free Trade Effects British Workingmen.

THE COMPETITION IN ENGLAND

Of Foreign Manufacturers--To Meet It Free Trade Britain Which Permits Them to Come in Must Reduce the Wages of the Workers--It is Monstrous that a Party in this Country Advocates Such a Policy.

American Iron and Steel Bulletin.

We alluded last week to the burden of foreign competition in British home markets, which is bearing so heavily upon British iron and steel manufacturers. This competition results from the Free Trade policy which these and other manufacturers have helped to establish in the vain hope that other nations might also be induced to establish Free Trade and thus give to Englishmen, with their cheap cost of production, an advantage in supplying other people's markets. But other nations have not adopted Free Trade. This policy to-day results in nothing beneficial to the British iron and steel manufacturer except to give him free iron ore, and this advantage is more than counterbalanced by large sales of Continental iron and steel in British markets. We quoted last week the statistics of British imports of iron and steel in 1891 to show how very serious this Continental competition now is. And we also quoted from the London Iron and Steel Trades Journal to show that it is not at all relieved by those who are hurt by it. Now comes another English journal, the London Colliery Guardian, for January 29th, which echoes the dissatisfaction expressed by its contemporary. It says:

"The opening of the new year has not thus far seen a realization of the hopes of improvement in trade which were fondly indulged in by the iron masters of South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire. The course of prices, alike for crude and finished iron, has been fairly run on the standard re-declared at the quarterly meeting held a fortnight ago in Birmingham, but the current demand for most sorts of iron certainly lacks anything like strength and vitality. A striking example of this slowness of demand are sheets for galvanizing. Of these all the principal works in the district have curtailed their production, and at the noted establishment not more than one-fourth of the twenty-five puddling furnaces there are in operation. The disturbances in the Argentine, Brazil and other South American markets--which are usually such great customers for this sort of iron--may partially explain the depression, but there can be no doubt that some of it is due to the stealthily-nearing Belgian competitor. Since the new year came in Staffordshire makers have had to confront the fact of samples of Belgian sheets offered in London at 7s 6d to 10s per ton lower than the current rate for Staffordshire sheets of corresponding quality. Of course it remains to be proved whether in the event of business the bulk will equal the sample, and there is, moreover, the important consideration that, while Staffordshire sheets cost 12s 6d per ton to deliver in London, the freight for Belgian sheets from Antwerp is only 4s 6d, and the railway transit from the works to the port would not raise the total cost to more than 8s per ton. The real reason of the severity of the competition is, of course, the longer hours and lower pay of the Belgian compared with the English ironworker, and it is high time that the advocates in this country of a social and industrial millennium began to recognize whether they are drifting."

Will the reader consider the full significance of the lines we have italicized? To meet and overcome Continental competition in British markets it is seriously suggested that the British workingman shall work longer hours and be paid lower wages. He must be made more of a slave than he is to-day. No other remedy is proposed, although to a practical statesman unpledged to a decaying dogma, especially if he be a humane man, the natural remedy would be at once to be found in a protective tariff, which would shield the British workingman against foreign competition.

How very English are the italicized lines from our contemporary! Sixty-seven years ago William Huskisson, the pioneer in the British free trade movement, said in a Parliamentary speech that, "to enable capital to obtain a fair remuneration, the price of labor must be kept down." The free trade refrain is the same in England in 1892 that it was in 1825. The British workingman "must be kept down." He must not be permitted to make any advance toward a "social and industrial millennium" which would lift him out of his present hard conditions and give him the comforts, the courage and the ambition which his American brother possesses.

The wonder is that there should be a political party in this country which proposes to place American workingmen on a level with European workingmen! It is a monstrous proposition.

The Great Cutler Gold Strike.

OURAY, COLO., Feb. 19.—The Cutler creek gold strike appears to be genuine. Men were climbing over the hills and staking claims all night. More than 100 claims have been staked in the last twenty-four hours. The country is under snow and it is speculation to-day what the result will be. It is believed this find is the source of the old planters. Many of the boulders when broken open are flecked with gold, and some of them run by assay nearly 100 ounces to the ton.

Senator Quay Very Ill.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.—Friends of Senator Quay in this city have recently received letters from St. Lucie, Florida, where the senator is staying, that his health has not improved by his sojourn there. It is said his illness is coupled with pneumonia. It is said that the fact that Mrs. Quay had started for St. Lucie, Florida, to be with her husband caused uneasiness among the senator's friends.

Bank President Disappears.

CARROLL, IOWA, Feb. 19.—O. A. Kenter, until this week president of the Citizens' State Bank, has left the town suddenly, taking with him his family and his household effects. He is said to leave numerous creditors behind.

A Kentucky Lynching.

MIDDLEBORO, KY., Feb. 19.—Berry Turner was mortally wounded here yesterday while attempting to escape capture. He was then captured and hanged by his captors.

CLIPPED from Canada Presbyterian, under signature of C. Blackett Robinson, proprietor: "I was cured of oft-recurring bilious headaches by Burdock Blood Bitters."

A HARDENED CRIMINAL.

Murderer Harvey Abuses the Jury and Wants a Chance to be Shot.

DAYTON, O., Feb. 19.—The jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree against Jacob Harvey for the deliberate killing of his former mistress, Mrs. Maggie Lehman.

After the verdict had been read and as the deputy was starting from the court room with the prisoner, the latter, turning his head toward the jury, said: "Well, I guess you s— of b— are satisfied now." Then to the officer he said: "Let loose of me, let me start to run and see if I can dodge your bullets." Harvey, who had been a cow boy and desperado on the Mexican frontier desired to be shot rather than hung.

SANG HYMNS

And Composed Poetry While Waiting for the Hangman's Noose.

SAVANNAH, GA., Charles C. Cummings (colored), was hanged here to-day at 11 o'clock for killing David Willis (colored), in November, 1890. His neck was broken. The scenes just preceding the execution were intensely dramatic. The condemned man walked up and down the long corridor of the jail with a military air, singing hymns in a voice so loud as to be heard blocks away. In bidding his fellow prisoners good bye, Cummings made up a short doggerel to suit the occasion. His religious enthusiasm was almost maniacal and he died with the belief of going straight to heaven.

MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

A Young Woman Found Dead in a Pittsburgh Suburban Street.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Feb. 19.—The body of an unknown woman about twenty-five years of age was found at 11 o'clock this morning on Sylvan avenue near Wilnot street, Oakland. Below the right eye was a wound believed to have been inflicted by a bullet. Her face was badly swollen, but there were no other marks of violence on her body. Oakland is in the finest residential district of the city. The woman was poorly dressed and is believed to be a servant girl. The remains are now at the morgue and the coroner is trying to unravel the mystery.

THE HAPPY SOLUTION

Of the World's Fair Sunday Question Proposed by Mr. Talmage.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, while in the city yesterday, said regarding the Sunday closing of the World's Fair: "The proper solution is to have every workshop, factory and store closed promptly every Saturday noon during the exposition. Besides giving wage earners a half holiday every week let the great preachers who will be here from all parts of the world hold Sunday services in all the World's Fair buildings which will admit of it. That is the way to settle the matter."

NEW YORK AND THE FAIR.

An Amendment to the Bill Providing that the State Exhibit Shall be Closed Sunday.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Mr. Cantor's senate bill appropriating \$300,000 for this state's exhibits at the World's Fair came up on second reading in the assembly to-day. An amendment proposed by Deyo, providing that this state's exhibit should be kept closed on Sunday was adopted—ayes 49, nays 47. On George Bush's motion the bill was laid aside by a vote of ayes 51, nays 49. Mr. Bush said he made this motion in order to give the Republicans, who were trying to make political capital out of a religious question, time to think over the matter. The bill can be called up at any time.

VIRGINIA DEBT.

The Bill Passes the Legislature—An Important Provision.

RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 19.—The house of delegates has passed the senate state debt bill with amendments. The most important amendment was one placing the sinking fund commissioners on an equal footing with the Olcott committee in funding. The bill provides that the rate of interest shall not exceed 3 per cent. The amendment provides that if the Olcott committee fund at lower rate, the sinking fund commissioner shall do likewise.

Civil Rights Case Settled.

DES MOINES, IA., Feb. 19.—The Hyde-Hopewell case, involving the civil rights of a colored man, has been settled for the defendant, Hopewell. The court held that Hopewell had a right to refuse to serve Hyde in his restaurant, and that the fact of the latter being a colored man did not enter into the case. In other words, the restaurant business is a private one, like a grocery or dry goods store, and differs from an inn, and a proprietor may sell or refuse to sell to anyone who enters his door.

Is Cleveland Adopting Till's Tactics?

GRAND FORKS, N. D., Feb. 19.—The state Democratic convention to select delegates to the national convention has been called to meet here March 24. This early date is understood to be in accordance with a reported understanding of the Cleveland faction in five northwestern states to hold early conventions.

Actor Florence Forgot His Brother.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Edward B. Conlin, brother of the late actor William J. Florence, has filed objections to the probate of the latter's will. Mr. Conlin was not mentioned in the will, nor was he among the list of heirs to whom citations were issued.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co.

Sold by druggists, price 75c per bottle.

New Washington, Penn., People

Are not slow about taking hold of a new thing, if the article has merit. A few months ago David Byers, of that place, bought his first stock of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He has sold it all and ordered more. He says: "It has given the best of satisfaction. I have warranted every bottle, and have not had one come back." 25 cent, 50 cent and \$1 bottles for sale by druggists. new

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

KNOCKED OUT THE MARINE.

George La Blanche Done Up by a Negro Amateur Pugilist.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Feb. 19.—Five hundred people witnessed a fight at the Pastime club last night between James Lowton (colored), light-weight champion of Australia, and Conloy, of Boston, which resulted in a victory for the former in the seventh round, as his opponent quit. The event was preceded by a sensational challenge by George La Blanche, the Marine, who agreed to knock out all comers in four rounds for a purse of \$250. The challenge was accepted by W. Childs, a 175-pound negro of this city. He knocked the Marine out in the third round. His punishment of the Marine was such that the latter was dragged from the ring helpless. The Marine's friends say he has been drinking the past few weeks.

A Novel Race.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Two young men of this city, says a morning paper, have entered into an agreement to within ten days paddle across Lake Michigan clad in Paul Boynton diving suits for a small wager. Captain Boynton will accompany them and act as referee. The race is such a novel one it will be watched with interest.

A Late Decision.

LINCOLN, NEB., Feb. 19.—Chief Justice Maxwell of the supreme court has handed down an opinion holding that ex-Gov. Thayer had no right to hold the office of governor, nor had the right to usurp authority; that Lieutenant Governor Majors should have held the office pending the test of Boyd's citizenship, and that when he was forced out by Boyd his tenure ceased.

He Saved Funeral Expenses.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—A horrible story of a private crematory comes to light in St. Gunegoude, a suburb of this place. A spikemaker, named Adolphe Laws, recently lost three children and burned their bodies in a cooking stove to save funeral expenses. Magistrates have been applied to but they held that he acted within his rights.

Militia Officer Banished.

HARRISBURG, PA., Feb. 19.—The official order dishonorably discharging Col. W. B. Smith, third N. G. P., from the services of the state, was issued last night from national guard headquarters. Colonel Smith was convicted before a general court martial of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

Killed Two Track Walkers.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 19.—The Columbian express on the Pennsylvania railroad struck two Italian track walkers near Latrobe early this morning, killing them instantly. Their names were Toppo Antonio and Blanchette Pietro. Both were married and leave large families.

Why He Left Home.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—H. Jones Monaghan, who mysteriously disappeared from Westchester, Pa., 4 months ago, arrived here to-day on the steamer Mariposa from Australia. He says he left home because he was half crazed by overwork and insomnia.

For the restoration of faded and gray hair to its original color and freshness, Ayer's Hair Vigor remains unrivaled. This is the most popular and valuable toilet preparation in the world; all who use it are perfectly satisfied that it is the best.

D. & O. Excursion to Pittsburgh, Monday, February 22d.

Monday, February 22, the Baltimore & Ohio Company will sell excursion tickets from Wheeling and Bellaire to Pittsburgh, Pa., at one fare for the round trip, good to return until the 23d.

Makes the Weak Strong

The marked benefit which people in run down or weakened state of health derive from Hood's Sarsaparilla, conclusively proves the claim that this medicine "makes the weak strong." It does not act like a stimulant, imparting fictitious strength from which there must follow a reaction of greater weakness than before, but in the most natural way Hood's Sarsaparilla overcomes that tired feeling, creates an appetite, purifies the blood, and, in short, gives great bodily, nerve, mental and digestive strength.

Fagged Out

"Last spring I was completely fagged out. My strength left me and I felt sick and miserable all the time, so that I could hardly attend to my business. I took one bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it cured me. There is nothing like it." R. C. BEGOLLE, Editor Enterprise, Belleville, Mich.

"I derived very much benefit from Hood's Sarsaparilla, which I took for general debility. It built me right up, and gave me an excellent appetite." ED. JENKINS, Md. Savage, Md. N. B. If you desire to take Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to buy anything else instead. Insist upon having

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists, \$1; six for \$5. Prepared only by C. L. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar

A Wise Merchant

Is never content to stand still. Stagnation is death—in TRADE as in other things. Now Customers should be sought after all the time. There is only one way to get them—use the Advertising columns of Good Newspapers.

CONSUMPTION.

I have a positive remedy for the above disease; by its use thousands of cases of the worst kind and of long standing have been cured. Indeed so strong is my faith in its efficacy, that I will send two BOTTLES FREE, with a VALUABLE TREATISE on this disease to any sufferer who will send me their Express and P. O. address. T. A. SLOCUM, M. C. 183 Pearl St., N. Y. d19384W

and Whiskey Habits cured at home without pain. Book of particulars sent FREE. D. M. WOOLLEY, M. D., Atlanta, Ga. Office 104 1/2 Whitehall St. d2284W

Pio's Remedy for Catarrh is the Best, Easiest to Use, and Cheapest. Sold by druggists or sent by mail, for \$1. E. T. Hestline, Warren, Pa.

What Can Cuticura Do

For Baby's Skin, Scalp, and Hair

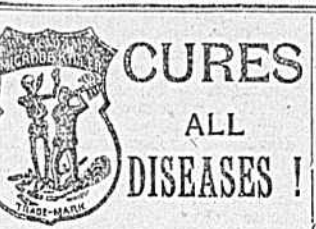
Everything that is cleansing, purifying, and beautifying for the skin, scalp, and hair of infants and children, the Cuticura Remedies will do. They afford instant relief, and a speedy cure in the most agonizing of itching and burning eczemas. They clear the skin of the most distressing of scaly, crusted, pimply, and blotchy humors. They cleanse the scalp of dandruff, scales, and crusts, destroy microscopic insects which feed on the hair, and supply the roots with energy and nourishment. They prevent inflammation and clogging of the pores, the cause of pimples, blackheads, rashes, red, rough, and oily skin. They heal rough, chapped, and fissured hands, with itching, burning palms, painful finger-ends, and remove the cause of shapeless nails.



Thus, from the simplest baby blemish to the most torturing and disfiguring diseases of the skin and scalp, even when complicated with hereditary or scrofulous taints, these great skin cures, blood purifiers, and humor remedies are equally successful. Everything about them invites confidence. They are absolutely pure, and may be used on the youngest infant. They are agreeable to the most refined and sensitive. They are speedy, economical, and unailing.

"ALL ABOUT THE SKIN, SCALP, AND HAIR" mailed free to any address, 64 pages, 300 Diseases, 30 illustrations, and 100 Testimonials. A book of priceless value to every sufferer. CUTICURA REMEDIES are sold everywhere. Price, CUTICURA, the Great Skin Cure, 50c.; CUTICURA SOAP, an Esquisite Skin Purifier and Beautifier, 25c.; CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the greatest of Blood Purifiers and Humor Remedies, \$1. Prepared by FORTY DOLLAR AND CHEM. CO., Boston.

For Baby's Skin, Scalp, and Hair, use the greatest of Skin Purifiers and Beautifiers, as well as purest and sweetest of toilet and nursery soaps, the celebrated Cuticura Soap. The only medicated toilet soap and the only preventive of inflammation and clogging of the pores, the cause of pimples, blotches, rashes, rough, red, and oily skin. Sale greater than all other skin and complexion soaps combined. Sold throughout the civilized world. Price, 25c.



Consumption Cured.

"I believe it to be one of the best medicines sold. The physicians, two years ago, said my wife had consumption, both lungs affected. I have had to send her South for several springs to keep her alive, but since she has been taking Radam's Microbe Killer she has been right at home attending to her business, and is in better health than she has been for 30 years."

"R. T. POOLE, Cedarhurst, Ga."

Several Diseases Cured.

"I cheerfully testify to the curative powers of your medicine. Having been a sufferer from weak lungs, bronchial affection and indigestion, after taking Microbe Killer all of the above symptoms have entirely disappeared."

"Yours, etc., THOS. L. DAVIS, Janitor Howard Memorial Library, New Orleans, La."

Asthma and Catarrh Cured.

"I have been a sufferer from asthma and catarrh for more than two years past, getting most of my sleep sitting up in bed or reclining in a chair. I have used one jug of Radam's Microbe Killer, and for the last three weeks have been sleeping naturally, soundly and sweetly as a child. I attributed my relief to the remedy, and heartily recommend it to any one suffering from asthmatic or catarrhal trouble. Respectfully, EDWIN L. MOORE, "Cashier in Bank of Adelphi, Ga."

Fever and Flux Cured.

"I cheerfully testify that after taking Microbe Killer for fifteen days I am entirely cured, after being sick two years with malarial fever, and during which time I contracted other diseases, flux, etc. I was attended during this time by three of the best doctors of the city without benefit."

"10 Celeste St., New Orleans, La."

Mr. Radam's Microbe Killer

Cures all Diseases by Removing the Cause.

Send 2-cent stamp for 6-page circular and the Microbe War shows what disease is and what the remedy will be, and to cure it. Read it, circulate it and you will bless the discoverer for saving your life. Address:

RADAM'S MICROBE KILLER, Nashville, Tenn., or Logan Drug Co., Agents, Wheeling, W. Va.

FINANCIAL.

Wheeling Title Trust Co

BANK.

Interest paid on Savings and Special Deposits.

SAFETY DEPOSIT VAULT

BOXES FOR RENT.

BANK OF THE OHIO VALLEY.

CAPITAL.....\$175,000.

WILLIAM ISITT.....President.

WILLIAM H. SIMPSON.....Vice President.

Druid on England, Ireland, France and Germany.

DIRECTORS:

William A. Isitt. Mortimer Follock.

J. A. Miller. William B. Simpson.

E. M. Atkinson. John K. Botsford.

Henry Speyer. Victor Rosenberg.

Jacob C. Thomas.

F. J. JELSON, Cashier.

EXCHANGE BANK.

CAPITAL.....\$200,000.

J. N. VANCE.....President.

L. S. DELAPLANE.....Vice President.

DIRECTORS:

J. N. Vance. George F. Stifel.

J. M. Brown. William Ellingham.

L. S. Delaplane. A. W. Kelley.

John Frow.

Drafts issued on England, Ireland, Scotland and all points in Europe.

JOHN J. JONES, Cashier.

CORNICE AND TIN ROOFING.

GALVANIZED IRON CORNICE

AND

TIN + ROOFING

Special attention given to all kinds of Sheet Iron and Tin Work on Buildings. Also Steel and Felt Roofing.

Call and get prices before contracting. I am PREPARED TO GIVE BARGAINS in that line of work.

B. F. CALDWELL.

1615 Corner Main and South Streets.

PICTURES & ART MATERIALS.

John W. Mules.

—ARTIST—

Studio 215 1/2 Main Street.

GROCERIES ETC.

Behrens' Standard Coffee Free.

Save 25 wrappers of H. F. Behrens' Standard Coffee and get ONE POUND FREE.

H. F. BEHRENS',

2217 Market street, or at his Branch Store, corner Jacob and Third-18th streets, in the South Side Bank building.

EGGER, WARRICK & CO.

NEW SPRING

DRESS GOODS

NOW ARRIVING DAILY.

LARGE AND CHOICE SELECTION

Fancy Novelty Bedford Cords,

Plain Bedford Cords, Whip Cords,

AND BEIGES.

In all the latest shades, fancy, plain and mixtures, which we offer at the following prices:

Best quality Bedford Cord, 38 inches,

at 75c, sold elsewhere at \$1.

Finest 40-inch Bedford Cord, at \$1,

sold elsewhere at \$1.25.

Call and be convinced that the above are facts. Now is your opportunity to buy

LACE CURTAINS,

As we purchased a large stock from a manufacturer going out of business in this line. We can save you 25 per cent by buying them from us.

Extraordinary Bargains

IN TABLE LINEN, TABLE SETS, NAPKINS, TORCHON LACES and EMBROIDERIES. Come and decide for yourself how many dollars we can save you in the month of February.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.

WHY IS THE

\$3 SHOE CENTRIFUGAL

THE BEST SHOE IN THE WORLD FOR THE MONEY?

It